

**Subject:** RE: Question about No Trespassing signs  
**From:** Chris S Ragsdale <26690@lapd.online>  
**Date:** 02/13/2018 07:34 PM  
**To:** Niki Svara <niki@thewestwoodvillage.com>

Hi Niki,

We must have a valid Trespass Arrest Authorization on file from the property owner or property management in order to enforce the doorways or any other aspect of private property.

The description you mentioned has been the primary use of the form but they are also required for the doorway situation as well. Officers would have to conduct a Field Interview of the subject and document a warning and refusal to leave within 24 hours prior to an arrest being made.

**Commercial property open to the general public, L.A.M.C. Section 41.24(d).**

( ) My property is open to the general public between the hours of and . I authorize the Los Angeles Police Department to advise persons pursuant to L.A.M.C. Section 41.24(d) to leave the premises for 24 hours, if the request to leave is rationally related to the services performed or the facilities provided on the property. I further authorize the Los Angeles Police Department to arrest anyone who has been so notified and refuses to leave or returns within 24 hours for a violation of L.A.M.C. Section 41.24(d).

Let me know if you have any other questions.

**EMERGENCY: 911**

**NON-EMERGENCY: 1-877-275-5273**

**All other City Services : 311**

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**From:** Niki Svara [mailto:niki@thewestwoodvillage.com]  
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Hi Chris,

We are going to be encouraging more businesses to put up "No Trespassing" signs in their doorways. This is specifically to discourage transients from sleeping in doorways. My question is, can the police enforce no trespassing in doorways when the sign is there, without having a trespass arrest authorization form on file? If I understood you correctly before, I think those forms are mostly for vacant buildings and it gives officers

permission to enter and enforce the no trespass.

Thanks!

Sincerely,

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